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Ronald J. Tenpas, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on April 1, 2005, **TORREY T. DEAL**, age 29, of Godfrey, Illinois, was sentenced in United States District Court in East St. Louis, Illinois.

TORREY DEAL was sentenced to 120 months' imprisonment, 8 years' supervised release, and was fined \$500.00. TORREY DEAL pleaded guilty on December 16, 2004, to distribution of cocaine base ("crack" cocaine) in excess of five grams.

TORREY DEAL was charged with delivery of "crack" cocaine at a motel in Alton, Illinois.

Alton Police intercepted the delivery and arrested DEAL.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the City of Alton, Police, pursuant to their participation in the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative. The Madison County State's Attorney's Office has assisted throughout the investigation and has prosecuted another individual in a related case in Madison County Circuit Court.

Project Safe Neighborhoods is a joint and cooperative effort of the United States Attorney's Office, the Madison County State's Attorney's Office, the Alton Police Department, and federal, state, and other local law enforcement agencies, and is directed at removing guns and drugs from our communities.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas M. Daly.